Engaging of contingent workers on contrac basis by GSI

2467. SHRI CHATURANAN MISH RA: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Ihe Geological Survey of India has "been engaging contingent workers on contract basis:

(b) if so, how Geological Survey of india has been permitted to violate provisions of Contract Labour (Abolition) Act;
and

(c) whether Geological Survey of India will be advised to terminate contract emp loyment?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) No, Sir.

T (b) and (c) Do not arise.

Purchase of truck chasis by GSI

2468. SHRI CHATURANAN MISH RA: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of truck chasis acquired by Geological Survey of India between 1978 and 1984;

(b) whether all these chasis are put on ad after building truck bodies:

(c) if not, what are the reasons for keeping the chasis as it is without constructing bodies;

(d) whether these chasis are excess to •he requirements of GSI**;**

(e) if so, whether they are proposed to be disposed of; and

(f) if not, what action is proposed to be taken by Government to prevent wastage of public money?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) Geological Survey of India acquired 98 numbers of truck chasis during the period from 1978 to 1984. Out of these 79 have been put on the road after building truck bodies.

(c) Construction of body over truck chasis is being undertaken through Director General of Supplies and Disposals. As per DGS&D procedure, only one truck chasis at a time is sent to the firm under contract for construction of the body.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

Missing of files from Income Tax Office, Culcutta

2469. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report in the "Telegraph" dated August 8, 1985 to the effect that some files are missing from the Income Tax Office, Calcutta; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THI- MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI IANARDHAN POOIARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter has been entrusted for enquiry to the Central Bureau of Investigation and the Commissioner of PoIice, Calcutta.

Loans from USSR, USA and U.K.

2470. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received loans for various purposes from USSR, USA and U.K. during the last three years;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof indicating the purpose for which the same were utilised; and

(c) how much loans are proposed to be obtained during the current financial year and also during 1986?

THE MINISTER OF STATE JN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (.SHRl j JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The following amounts were received as kunsjcredits from USA and USSR during ihe lasl three years.

(Amount in Jis- crores)

	USA (Loans)	USSR (Credits)
1982-83 . . .	67.4	Nil
1983-84 . . .	77.0	144.6
1984-85 . . .	93.9	Nil

Another credit of about Rs. 1100 crores was given by the Government of USSR in May, 1985. All assistance leceived from U.K. Since 1975 has been in the form of grants.

Assistance from USA was received for projects in the Irrigation, Health, Family Welfare and Social Forestry sectors. The credit from USSR in 1983-84 was for the Vizag Steel Projects (stage II) and the credit given by USSR in May, 1985 is for financing the cost of Soviet goods and services in respect of projects in the Power, Oil and Coal Sectors.

(c) Loan agreements are entered into with the donor countries after bilateral negotiations. It is, therefore, not possible to indicate the amount of loans that would become available during the rest of the current financial year and in the next year.

Action for public sector hanks

2471. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any action plans for the Public Sector Banks;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what are the reasons for the formulation of the said plan;

(d) how far the same has bee$_n$ i mented by various banks in the country; and

(e) what steps Govei nment 'live initia led for hanks for its total implement

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to e) In the year 1985, Finance Minister lias already taken two meetings with ihe Chief Executives of public sector banks at \ew Deihi on 28-5-1985 and 17-7-1985. With a view to improve the working of banks it was decided in the above ſ setings lhal banks should introduce ni tools of management including comp in a planned manner to improve the speed and quality of their services. Chief Executives of the banks were also advised to enforce discipline to improve qualitv of man power. Orderly house-keeping, particularly balancing of books of accounts and reconciliation of inter-branch »r;d inter-bank transactions were also identi sed as areas for concerted action, ln the meeting held on 17-7-1985, Finance Mi reviewed performance of each bank in turns of profitability, priority secto] ing. direct finance to agricultura, lending io weaker sections, recovery of di set agricultural advances and olher against norms and averages for the ing system as a whole. Chief Executives of public sector banks were ask;d by the Finance Minister to tone up their . mer service and create an effective machinery for redressal of grievances of customers. The banks were also ad to draw up a definite plan for attaring of targets by removing shortfalls if in their performance.

Follow-up action is being taken on rhe various decisions.

Appointment of Directors/Chairmen c' Nationalised Banks

2472. SHRI CHIMANBHAI Ml Will the Minisler of FINANCE be pl to state:

(a) whether Government propose to appoint non-official Directors[1] Man Directors|Chairmen in some of ihe ticnalised banks;